Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figs. 10, 11, and 12, and present new Figures 17, 18, and 19.

The sheets embodying Figs. 10, 11, and 12 replace the corresponding original sheets for these figures, and have been amended to interchange the reference labels 902S and 902P to make these reference labels consistent with the written description.

New Figures 17, 18, and 19 have been added to make the drawings consistent with those that issued in ancestor US Patent No. 5,751,480. During prosecution of the application that issued as US Patent No. 5,751,480, Applicants submitted these figures to obviate objections raised by the examiner under 37 CFR §1.83(a), and the examiner approved these drawings, which are the identically numbered Figures in US Patent No. 5,751,480. Newly added Figure 17 shows an embodiment wherein the plane parallel plate is formed from an optically active substance, and is supported in the specification at, *inter alia*, page 32, lines 10 through 17. Newly added Figure 18 shows an embodiment of the present invention in which the illuminating system includes a plurality of light emitting element (i.e., LEDs), and a fly-eye lens, and is supported in the specification at, *inter alia*, page 32, lines 17 through 25. Newly added Figure 19 illustrates a projector system including a polarizing conversion unit according to the present invention, and is supported in the specification at, *inter alia*, the "Field of the Invention" section and page 33, lines 16-18.

Attachments:

APPENDIX A: Replacement (and new) Sheets for above amended (and new) drawings. **APPENDIX B**: Annotated Sheets showing changes from the immediate prior drawings.

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application in view of the foregoing amendment and following remarks. Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Amendment prior to issuance.

By this amendment, Figs. 10, 11, and 12 have been amended, and new Figs. 17, 18, and 19 have been presented as specified in the **Amendments To The Drawings** section of this paper. Replacement (and new) sheets are attached as Appendix A hereto. Annotated sheets are attached as Appendix B for reference to show the actual changes made (which are shown in red).

A Submission of Formal Drawings reflecting these amendments to the various figures is filed concurrently herewith.

Each of the herein drawing amendments, including the newly added drawings, were submitted by Applicant and approved by the Examiner in the ancestor application that issued as US Patent No. 5,751,480. Upon preparing the drawings for the instant case, Applicant recognized that these drawing amendments had not been made during prosecution of the instant case, and thus submits the instant Rule 312 Amendment to have these drawing amendments entered prior to issuance of the instant application as a patent, to remove minor informalities in the drawings and for consistency with the drawings that issued in ancestor US Patent No. 5,751,480.

The amendments to the drawings presented herein have necessitated amendments to the specification for clarity and consistency. Accordingly, the specification has been amended as specified in the Amendments To The

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Specification section of this paper above. These amendments to the specification also conform with those approved by the examiner in the ancestor application that issued as US Patent No. 5,751,480.

As all outstanding requirements indicated on the Notice of Allowability have been satisfied, Applicant requests entry of the amendments presented herein prior to issuance.

<u>AUTHORIZATION</u>

No fees are believed due for this amendment nor any additional fees for the accompanying Issue Fee Payment. However, to the extent that any additional fees are due, Applicant hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any such additional fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500 (Order No. 1232-4046US2). A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ENCLOSED.

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FIG. 10

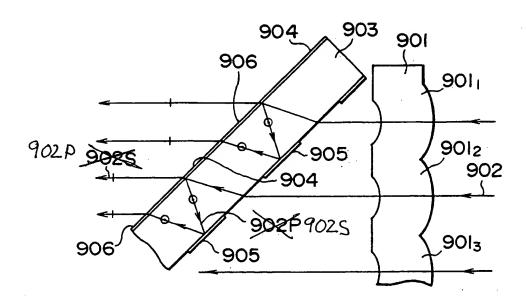


FIG. 11

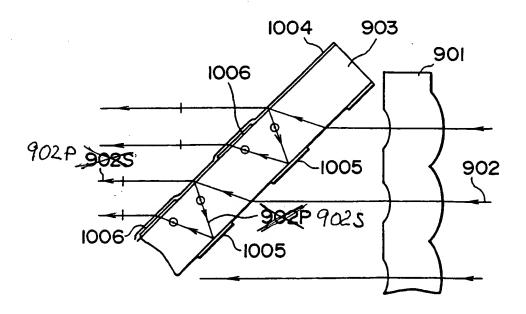


FIG.12

